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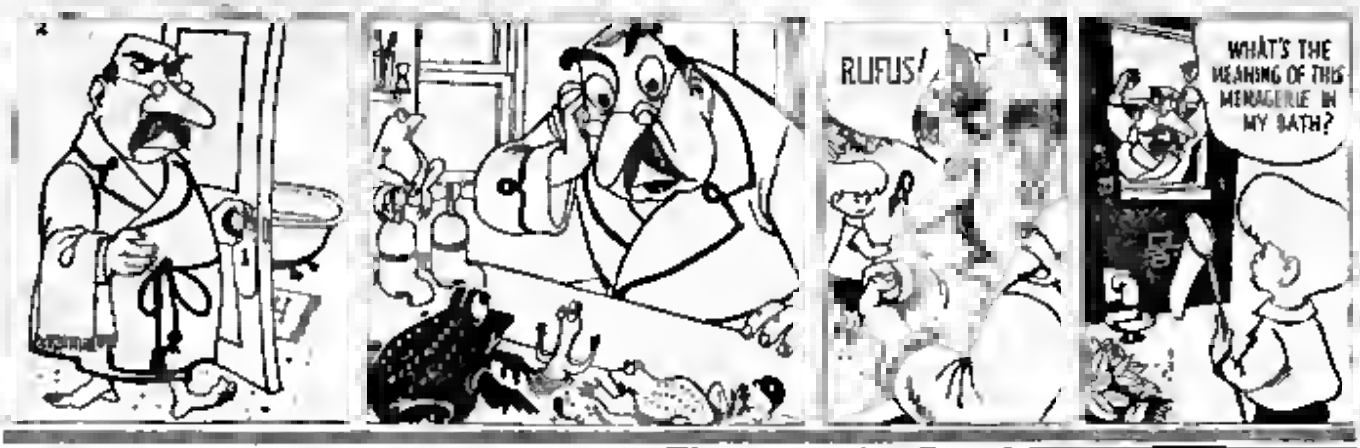

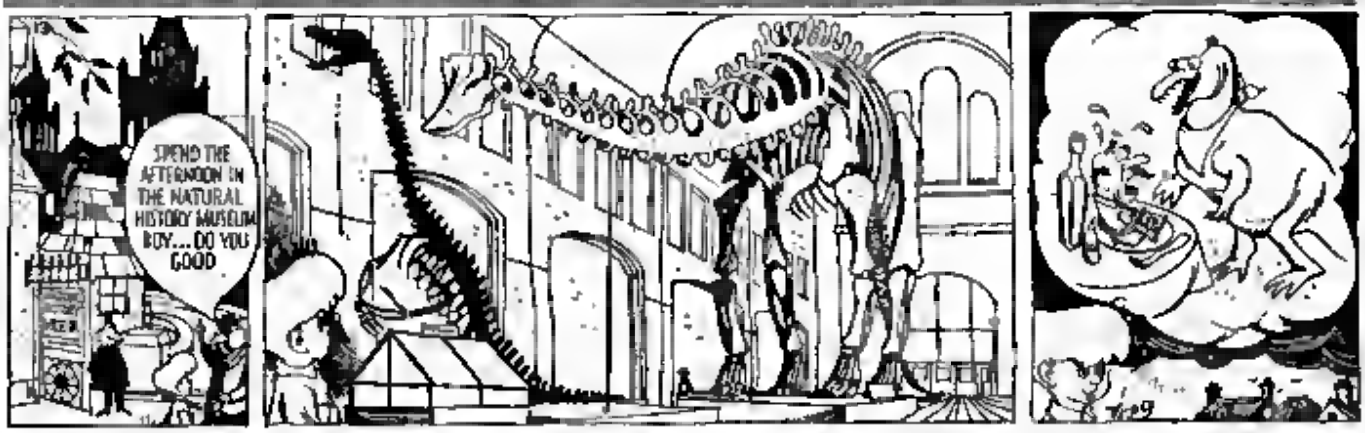

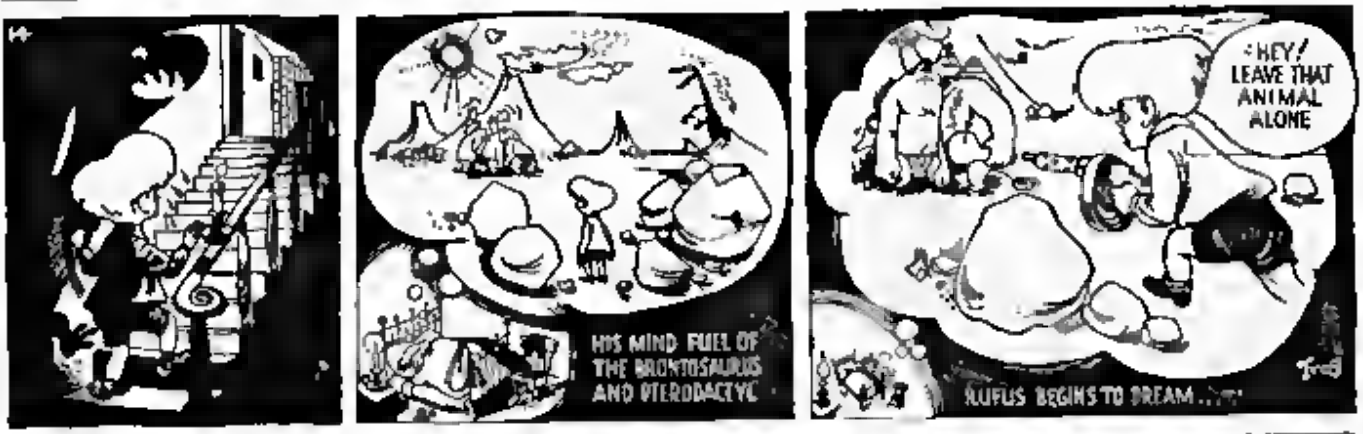

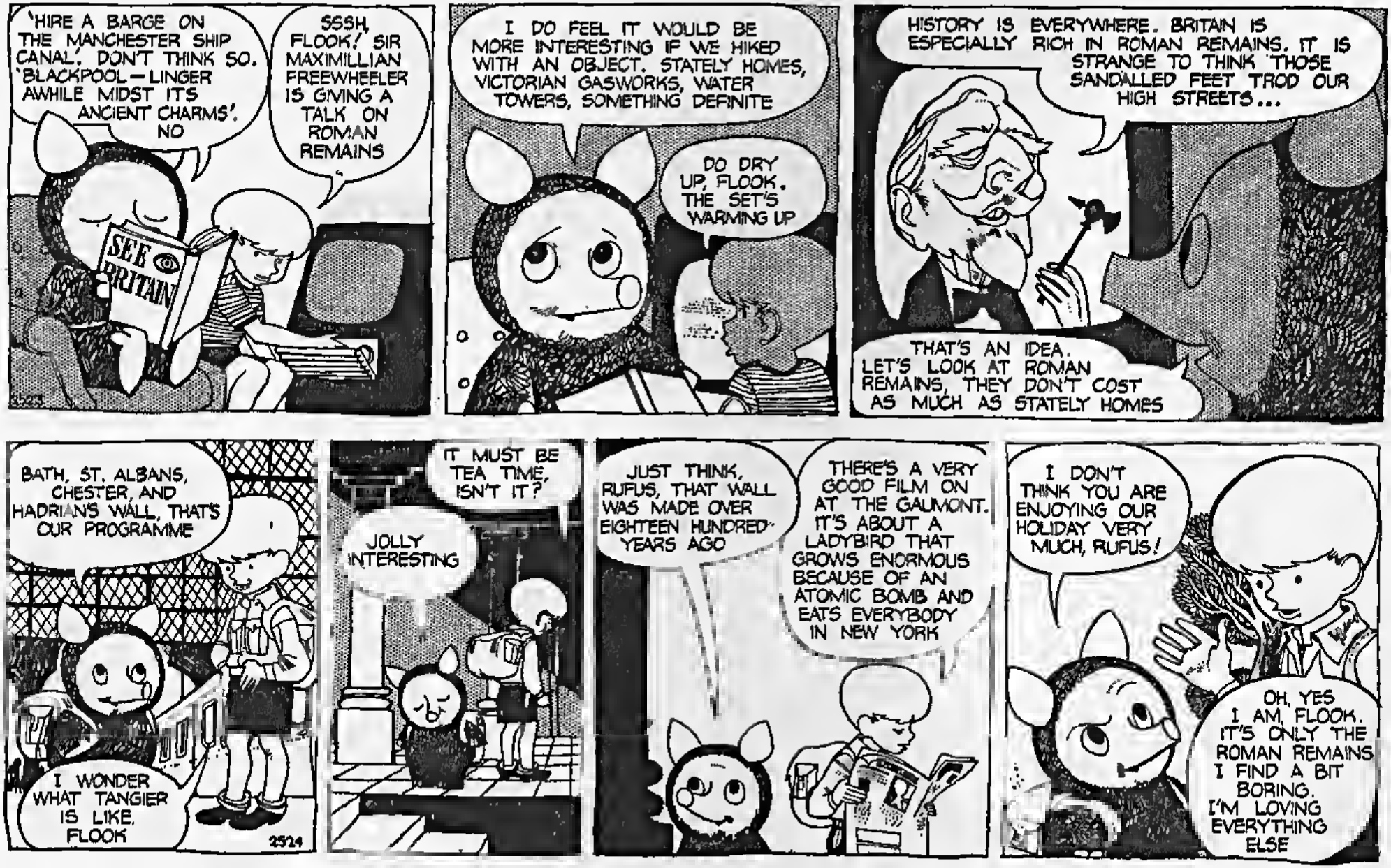
'HIRE A BARGE ON THE MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL'. DON'T THINK SO. 'BLACKPOOL—LINGER AWHILE MIDST ITS ANCIENT CHARMS'. NO
SSSH, FLOOK! SIR MAXIMILLIAN FREEWHEELER IS GIVING A TALK ON ROMAN REMAINS
SEE BRITAIN
I DO FEEL IT WOULD BE MORE INTERESTING IF WE HIKED WITH AN OBJECT. STATELY HOMES, VICTORIAN GASWORKS, WATER TOWERS, SOMETHING DEFINITE
DO DRY UP, FLOOK. THE SET'S WARMING UP
HISTORY IS EVERYWHERE. BRITAIN IS ESPECIALLY RICH IN ROMAN REMAINS. IT IS STRANGE TO THINK THOSE SANDALLED FEET TROD OUR HIGH STREETS...
THAT'S AN IDEA. LET'S LOOK AT ROMAN REMAINS, THEY DON'T COST AS MUCH AS STATELY HOMES
BATH, ST. ALBANS, CHESTER, AND HADRIAN'S WALL, THAT'S OUR PROGRAMME
I WONDER WHAT TANGIER IS LIKE, FLOOK
2524
IT MUST BE TEA TIME, ISN'T IT?
JOLLY INTERESTING
JUST THINK, RUFUS, THAT WALL WAS MADE OVER EIGHTEEN HUNDRED YEARS AGO
THERE'S A VERY GOOD FILM ON AT THE GAUMONT. IT'S ABOUT A LADYBIRD THAT GROWS ENORMOUS BECAUSE OF AN ATOMIC BOMB AND EATS EVERYBODY IN NEW YORK
I DON'T THINK YOU ARE ENJOYING OUR HOLIDAY VERY MUCH, RUFUS!
OH, YES I AM, FLOOK. IT'S ONLY THE ROMAN REMAINS I FIND A BIT BORING. I'M LOVING EVERYTHING ELSE

FLOOK
by TROG
FLOOK, THERE'S SOMEONE AT THE DOOR
IF IT'S A CREDITOR KEEP HIM TALKING WHILE I HIDE IN THE BROOM-CUPBOARD
7561
IT'S ALL RIGHT. IT WASN'T A CREDITOR— IT'S SCOOP
FLOOK, OLD CHAP, I HAD TO CALL IN HERE. THE PUBS AREN'T OPEN YET AND I'M IN SORE NEED OF A CAMPARI AND SODA
SCOOP! WE WERE JUST LISTENING...
GOD BLESS YOU, OLD CHAP. FLOOK, YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME— IT'S THAT DREADFUL WOMAN!
NOT... NOT LUCRETIA? SHE OF THE DULCET TONES AND THE PEARLY QUEEN'S ENGLISH?

FLOOK **By Troq**

1-26
ASK THAT MAN WHERE THE REST OF NEW YORK IS
PLEASE, SIR, COULD YOU TELL ME..
BUS STOP
WELL, THERE'S MANNERS FOR YOU! ...COMPLETELY IGNORED YOU, RUFUS
COME ON! HERE'S A NUMBER 9!
SORRY, BUD. WE'RE ONLY PART OF THE MIRAGE!
9

FLOOK
by TROG
AYE, YOU'RE SACKED LUDD, LAD, AND IF I CATCH YOU 'ANGING ROUND WORKS I'LL SUE YOU FOR TRESPASS
WELL, THAT'S DONE IT, THAT 'AS
6415
SURELY THE MEN WON'T STAND FOR IT, THEY'LL COME OUT IN SYMPATHY
WI' ME SACKED WHO'S GOING TO CALL 'EM OUT, LAD? NO, I'M ONLY FIT FOR 'UMAN SCRAP 'EAP. I'M GOING TO T' ALE 'OUSE
I MUST PHONE THE P.M.!
BUT MR. MUCKYBRASS, YOU MUST GET HIM REINSTATED. IT'S MY FAULT HE WAS SACKED... WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU'LL PUT ME DOWN FOR AN AWARD FOR SERVICES TO BRITISH INDUSTRY?
FLOOK
by TROG
I'VE NO TIME TO LISTEN TO YOU, LAD, I'M DUE AT T' PALACE...
BUT I'M NOT A PRAGMATIST' MR MUCKYBRASS. ALL I KNOW IS I'VE ACTED VERY BADLY AND...
HE THINKS I DAREN'T BLOW THE GAFF BECAUSE I'M INVOLVED. WELL, HE'S GOT ANOTHER THINK COMING...
'ULLO FLOOK, LAD, AT LEAST THA'RT LOYAL TO MILITANT STRIKE ACTION, EH? PINT IS IT, LAD?
MR. LUDD WHEN YOU'VE HEARD MY CONFESSION YOU WON'T WANT TO STAY IN THE SAME PUB – LET ALONE BUY ME A DRINK

FLOOK

By Trog

1-28
SO IT'S ALL A MIRAGE! THE WHOLE THING IS DISAPPEARING!
ABOUT TIME TOO...
I DON'T MUCH LIKE THE LOOK OF THESE BIRDS
NO! THEY REMIND ME OF MOSSY MILDEW!
COME ON, FLOOK! LET'S GET AWAY FROM HERE

FLOOK
by TROG
ACTING AS AN AGENT PROVOCATEUR FOR MR. MUCKYBRASS ALL THE TIME..
..SO YOU SEE I WAS
AND ALL THAT GUFF ABOUT YOUR WAGES DOWN SOUTH WEREN'T TRUE, THEN?
WELL, I'VE BEEN TAKEN FOR A RIGHT MUG
6417
WORSE. THE COLOUR TELLY AND THE CAR AND EVERYTHING AREN'T MINE AT ALL. THEY WERE TO PERSUADE YOU TO TAKE UNILATERAL STRIKE ACTION
IT WORKED AND ALL. WELL, I'LL BE JIGGERED
PUBLIC
EH, FLOOK LAD. A BIG VAN'S COME AND TAKEN AWAY ALL YOUR 'OUSEOLD EFFECTS. THEY SAY THEY'RE NOT YOURN AT ALL. THEY SAY THEY BELONG TO T' MINISTRY OF WORKS
I'M AFRAID THEY'RE RIGHT. I'VE JUST BEEN TELLING JOE. I'M A DOUBLE AGENT, A GOVERNMENT SPY!

FLOOK
by TROG
I'VE BEEN A SNAKE IN THE GRASS AND A VIPER IN THE BOSOM
NAY, LAD, YOU'VE ONLY ACTED OUT YOUR ROLE IN T' INDUSTRIAL STROOGLE
6418
WELL, IF YOU'RE SURE YOU FEEL LIKE THAT I CAN ONLY SAY
BUDDY 'ECK!
I'LL LEARN YOU TO COME OOP 'ERE AND DO MUCKYBRASS'S DIRTY WORK FOR 'IM! TAKE THAT!

FLOOK **By Trog**

1-29
KEEP AWAY, YOU HORRIBLE BIRDS!
LOOK, FLOOK! OUR BATHING HUT!
TAKE NO NOTICE, IT'S ONLY ANOTHER MIRAGE
EXCUSE ME, SIR, BUT ARE YOU A MIRAGE?
SALAAM ALEIKHAM, EFFENDI

FLOOK **By Trog**

1-31
AH, THE WATER TASTES GOOD, AYE?
MR. BEN, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR SAVING US... IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE CAN DO IN RETURN...
WELL, I COULD DO WITH SOME HELP IN MY BUSINESS. OF COURSE THE MONEY ISN'T MUCH...
I'VE NO USE FOR MONEY, RUFUS, AS YOU KNOW, BUT WE'D BETTER FIND OUT WHAT HIS BUSINESS IS
WHAT DO YOU THINK, FLOOK?

FLOOK **By Trog**

2-1
PLEASE, MR. BEN, WHAT EXACTLY IS YOUR BUSINESS?
WELL, BOY, I'M A GENERAL MERCHANT..
.. AND SOLE AGENT FOR "FLYAWAY" BRAND MAGIC CARPETS
DO YOU MEAN, YOU REALLY HAVE GOT SOME MAGIC CARPETS? MAY WE HAVE A LOOK?
CERTAINLY, EFFENDI! I USE YOUR BATHING HOUSE AS A STORE HOUSE

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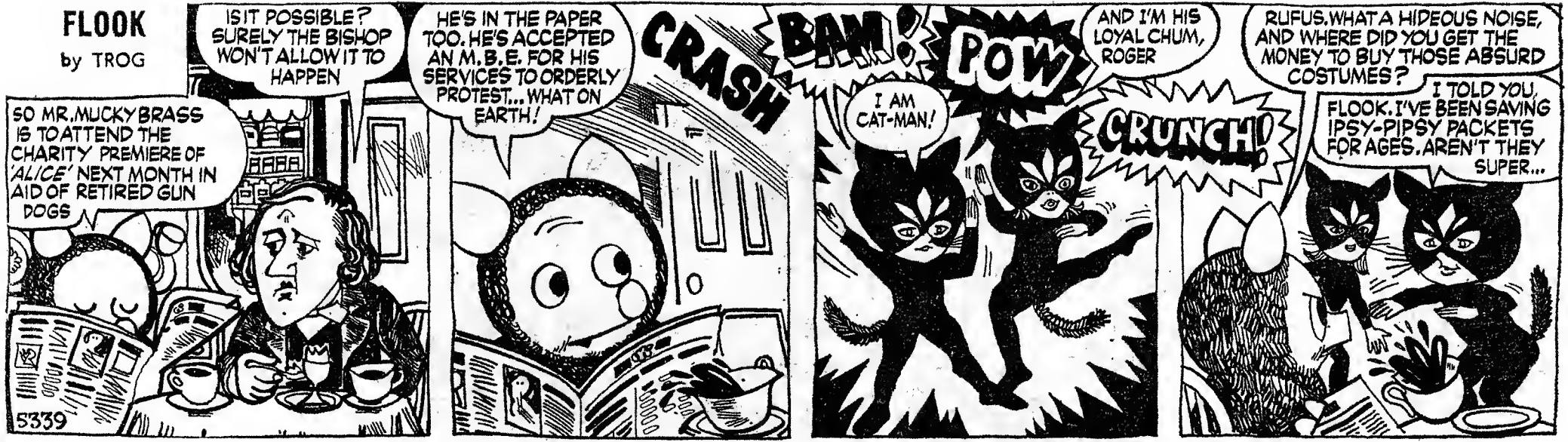
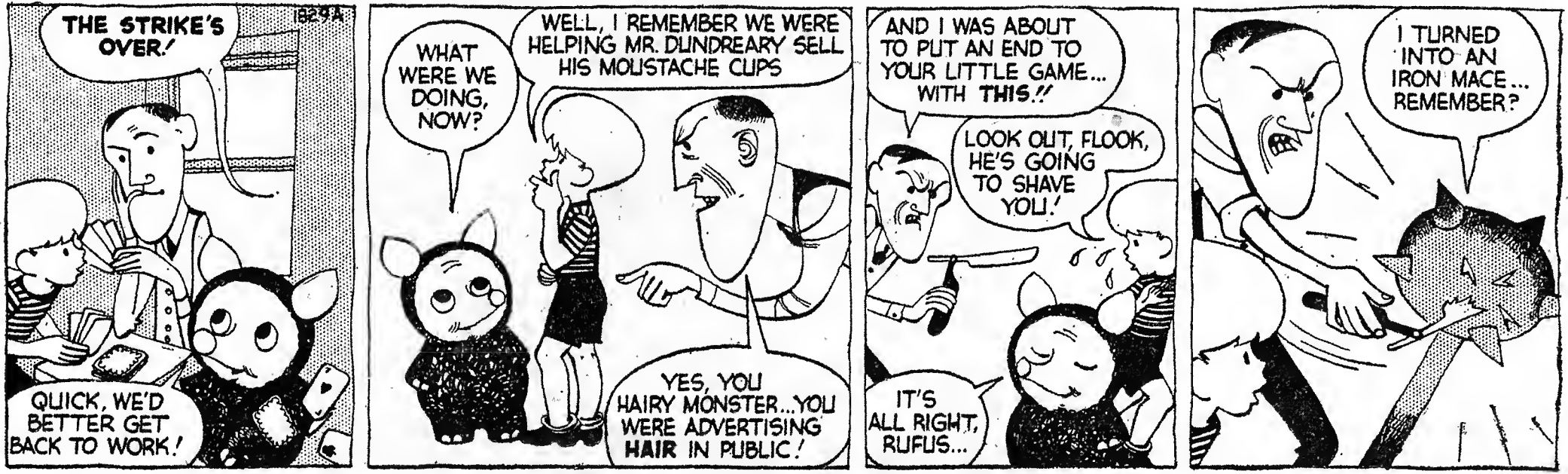

SO MR. MUCKY BRASS IS TO ATTEND THE CHARITY PREMIERE OF 'ALICE' NEXT MONTH IN AID OF RETIRED GUN DOGS
IS IT POSSIBLE? SURELY THE BISHOP WON'T ALLOW IT TO HAPPEN
5339
HE'S IN THE PAPER TOO. HE'S ACCEPTED AN M.B.E. FOR HIS SERVICES TO ORDERLY PROTEST... WHAT ON EARTH!
CRASH
BAM!
POW
I AM CAT-MAN!
AND I'M HIS LOYAL CHUM, ROGER
CRUNCH!
RUFUS. WHAT A HIDEOUS NOISE, AND WHERE DID YOU GET THE MONEY TO BUY THOSE ABSURD COSTUMES?
I TOLD YOU, FLOOK. I'VE BEEN SAVING IPSY-PIPSY PACKETS FOR AGES. AREN'T THEY SUPER...

FLOOK

by Trog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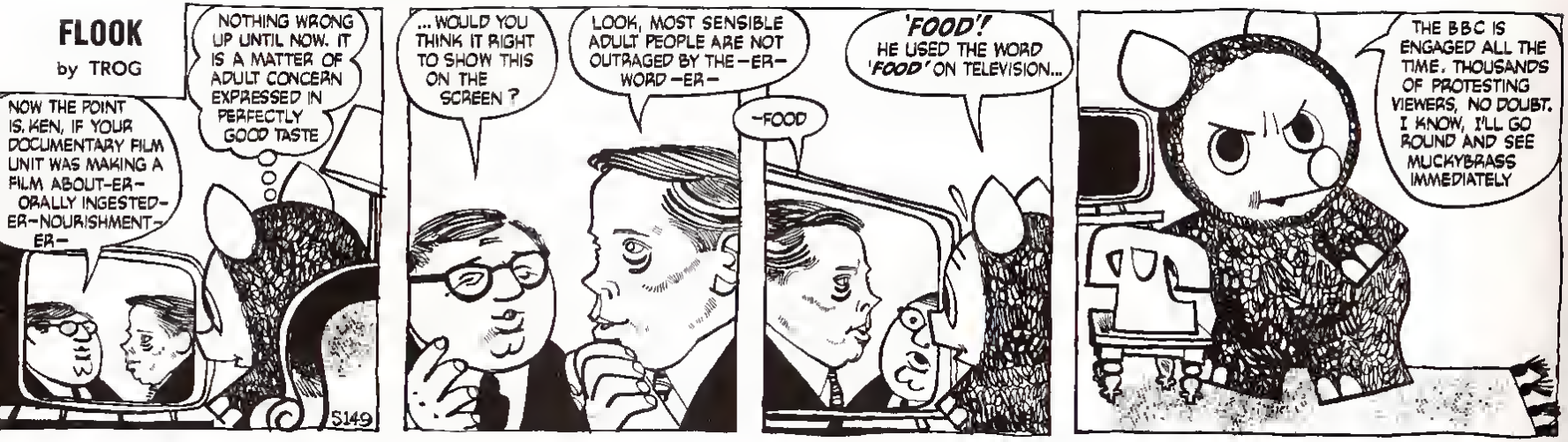
THE STRIKE'S OVER!
QUICK, WE'D BETTER GET BACK TO WORK!
WHAT WERE WE DOING, NOW?
WELL, I REMEMBER WE WERE HELPING MR. DUNDREARY SELL HIS MOUSTACHE CUPS
YES, YOU HAIRY MONSTER...YOU WERE ADVERTISING HAIR IN PUBLIC!
AND I WAS ABOUT TO PUT AN END TO YOUR LITTLE GAME... WITH THIS!!
LOOK OUT, FLOOK, HE'S GOING TO SHAVE YOU!
IT'S ALL RIGHT, RUFUS...
I TURNED INTO AN IRON MACE... REMEMBER?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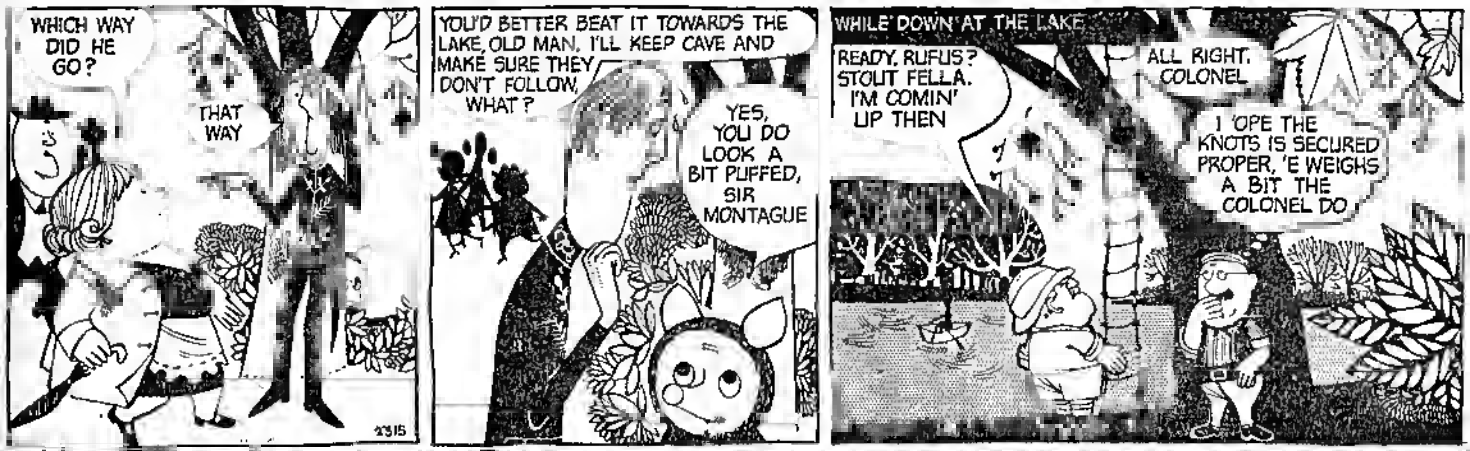
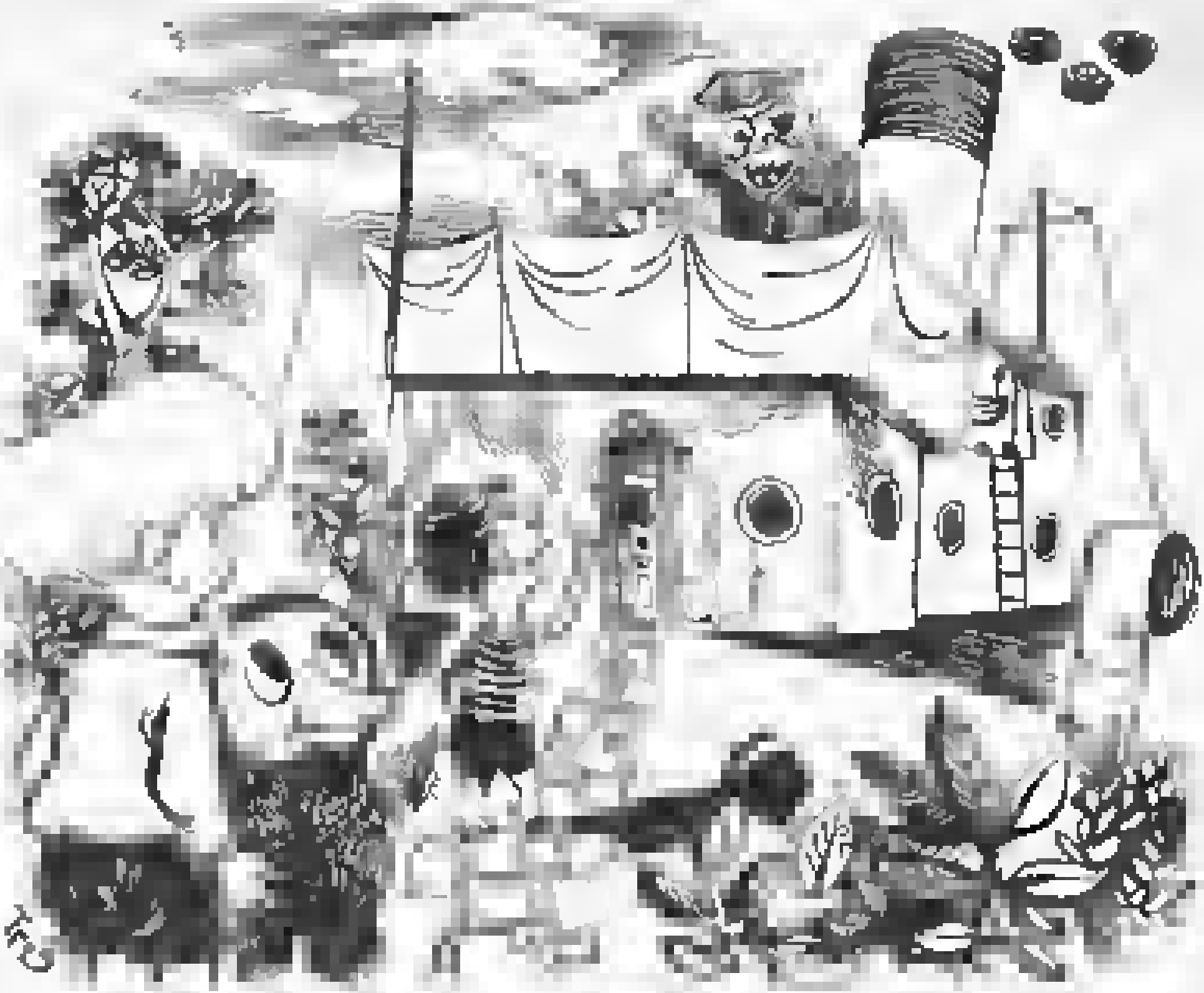
NOW THE POINT IS, KEN, IF YOUR DOCUMENTARY FILM UNIT WAS MAKING A FILM ABOUT-ER- ORALLY INGESTED- ER-NOURISHMENT- ER-
NOTHING WRONG UP UNTIL NOW. IT IS A MATTER OF ADULT CONCERN EXPRESSED IN PERFECTLY GOOD TASTE
S149
... WOULD YOU THINK IT RIGHT TO SHOW THIS ON THE SCREEN ?
LOOK, MOST SENSIBLE ADULT PEOPLE ARE NOT OUTRAGED BY THE -ER- WORD -ER-
-FOOD
'FOOD'! HE USED THE WORD 'FOOD' ON TELEVISION...
THE BBC IS ENGAGED ALL THE TIME. THOUSANDS OF PROTESTING VIEWERS, NO DOUBT. I KNOW, I'LL GO ROUND AND SEE MUCKYBRASS IMMEDIATELY

7956
...AND NOW A LITTLE ROUNDELAY I PICKED UP IN THE HUNDRED YEARS' WAR, 'ROLL ME OVER IN YE CLOVER'...
NAY—NO MORE, GOOD MINSTRELS. HERE COMES THE KENTISH DELEGATION. WAT TYLER'S OWN. SEE AT THEIR HEAD—MICHAEL, FLEET A'FOOT
KEEP IN STEP— LEFT-LEFT-LEFT-LEFT—LEFT
DOWN WITH YE POLL TAX
FREE YE SHREWSBURY TWO
BUY YE MORNING STAR

FLOOK
By Trog
6
YOU CAN SPEAK?
DOES SOMETHING AIL YOU DEAR BOY?
SPEAK? SEVEN LANGUAGES FLUENTLY! NOR IS THAT ALL... BEHOLD!
NOW I'M A TUBA!
TROG
.. AND NOW, I AM A BARO-METER
.. SEE! I AM A PRESSURE COOKER

PITY ABOUT YOUNG TOGGLE. MUST BE SOME GOOD IN THE LAD. JUST HIGH SPIRITS I DARE SAY
HE GOT US IN ANYWAY
MADEMOISELLE FROM ARMENTIERES
CAROLINE, IS THERE ANYWHERE WE MIGHT SNOOZE FOR A BIT? WE'VE GOT TO BE IN BATTERSEA IN THE MORNING. IT SEEMS POTTY TO GO ALL THE WAY BACK TO MY PLACE
BATTERSEA? BUT THAT'S THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIVER. I DIDN'T KNOW ANYBODY EVER ACTUALLY WENT THERE
YOU CAN HAVE THE BLUE ROOM. I'M AFRAID IT'S A BIT SQUALID


WHICH WAY DID HE GO?
THAT WAY
YOU'D BETTER BEAT IT TOWARDS THE LAKE, OLD MAN. I'LL KEEP CAVE AND MAKE SURE THEY DON'T FOLLOW. WHAT?
YES, YOU DO LOOK A BIT PUFFED, SIR MONTAGUE
WHILE DOWN AT THE LAKE
READY, RUFUS? STOUT FELLA. I'M COMIN' UP THEN
ALL RIGHT, COLONEL
I 'OPE THE KNOTS IS SECURED PROPER, 'E WEIGHS A BIT THE COLONEL DO


Ahoy ! Ivre. Car ne sont-ils pas Capitaine ?"

Mr. Bloggs seized a boy in each of his hands.

THE USUAL PROCEDURE IS TO SEND YOU TO ROME FOR THE ARENA
WHY NOT JUST SPEND A FEW DAYS IN THE CAGE IN THE SUN
OLD YOUR TONGUE
HOWEVER, AS YOU'RE FELLOW DID NOT PAY BEFORE I INTEND TO MAKE YOU MY PERSONAL SLAVE
BECAUSE WE DIDN'T PAY BUT I'M THE ONE THEY'RE GOING TO BEAT! THEM WITH A WHIP NOW IS THAT A FAIR
I'M THE BEST JUDGE OF THAT SERGEANT, BRING OUR FRIENDS SOMETHING!
MMM! THE SMELL OF FRESH MEAT IN THE MORNING!
THAT'S THE SMELL OF YOUR BREATH
THE PROBLEM WITH YOU IS YOU'RE CAPTURED
OH, I'M SO SORRY I DIDN'T LOOK GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU WHEN YOU WERE PUTTING ME IN THIS CAGE
WHAT'S THAT OH, SHUT UP AND EAT YOUR BREAD
NO, NOTHING LIKE THAT
OH, THEN WE WERE IT'S A BIT LATE NOW BUT WE DIDN'T ON THE RIGHT SIDE THE VOLCES THE OTHER WAY
YES, AND BECAUSE I WAS SMALL AND NOT VERY BIG MUCH FUN OF ME AND SAID I MUST HAVE A RIGHT KICK
THEY DID THAT BUT THEY TEACH US TO CLIMB AND USE OUR FEET AND
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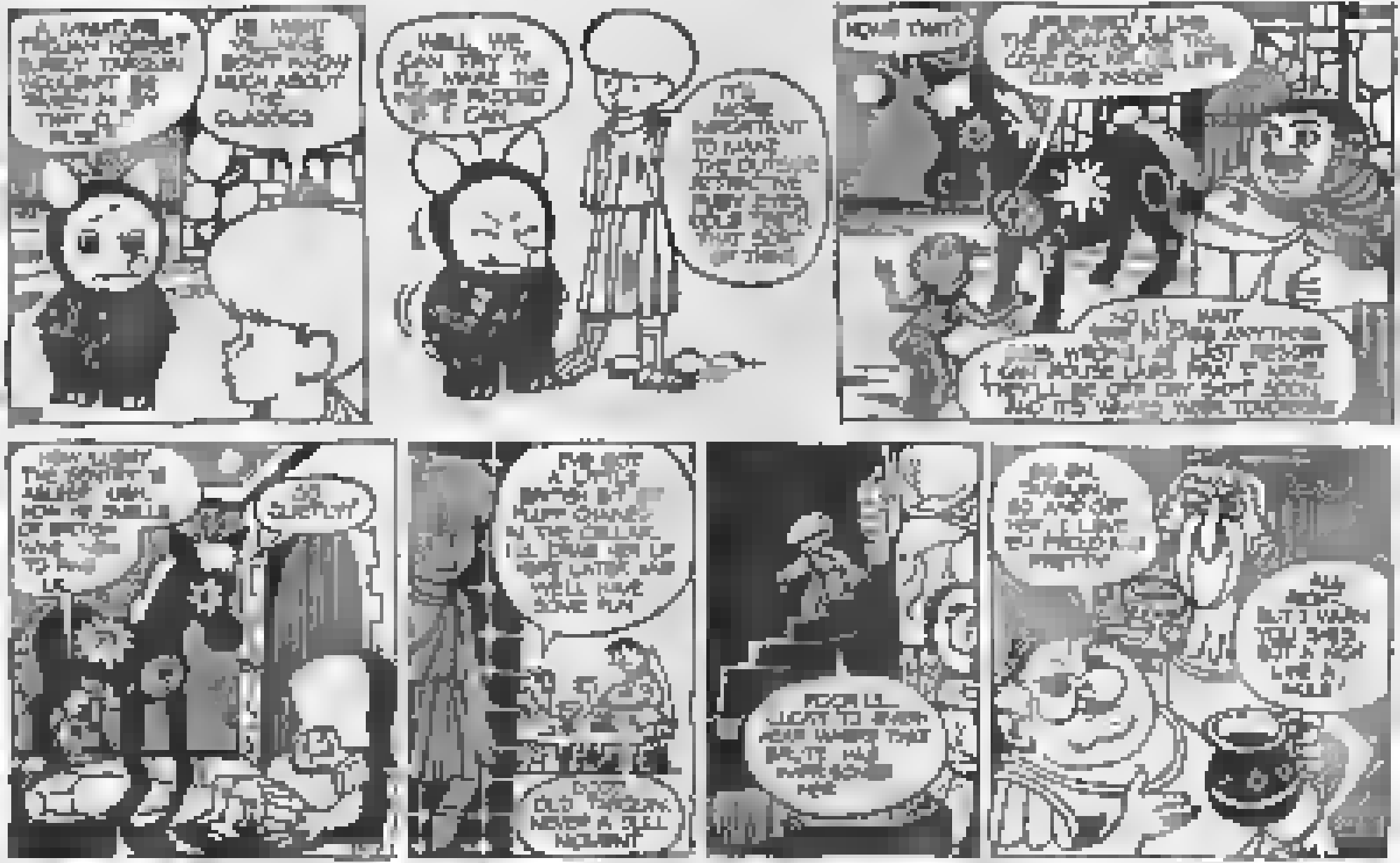
GO HOME
ROMANS

HOW THE HELL DID YOU GET THAT IN THERE, YOU INTERFERING LITTLE PRICK
BEFORE WHILE YOU WERE NOT ALL THAT BRIGHT YOU WERE AT LEAST SMART ENOUGH TO BE AFRAID OF ME LIKE A NORMAL HUMAN OF THE OLD WORLD SHOULD BE
NOW THEN, WILL YOU WHERE YOU ARE OR I'LL KILL YOU
THANK, IS A NASTY BUSINESS IF YOU'RE WORSE THAN THEM LOT AT STEVENAGE CLUB OH T SUDDENLY WASN'T WHEN THEY'VE MADE OUT ON T HEAD
WE WERE JUST CLOSE DOWN NOW
WHAT A HAPPY ACCIDENT!


HE MIGHT VALUES DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THE CLASSICS
WELL, HE CAN TRY TO BE, MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS IF I CAN
IT'S MORE IMPORTANT TO HAVE THE DETAILS AS THE BIG PICTURE
HOW'D THAT?
I'M SORRY, I LOST THE SIGNAL AND THE LOCK ON THE LIFE CLOCK MODE
WHAT WAS I DOING ANYTHING WRONG? I JUST WANTED I CAN MAKE LIKE HIM TO HAVE THEM, I'LL BE OFF DRY SOFT SOON
HOW LIGHT THE SPIRIT IS AND HOW HE SMILES OR BITES WHEN HE TRIES TO
SO SLIGHTLY?
I'VE GOT A LITTLE BIRDIE BUT IF HUFF CHANGE IN THE CELLAR I'LL DRAW HIM UP HERE LATER AND WE'LL HAVE SOME FUN
DOG OLD TRICKS NEVER A TELL NOURNT
FOR LIL LIGHT TO BURN AGAIN WHERE THAT BRIGHT
AH, BUT I WISH I'D A NICE LITTLE

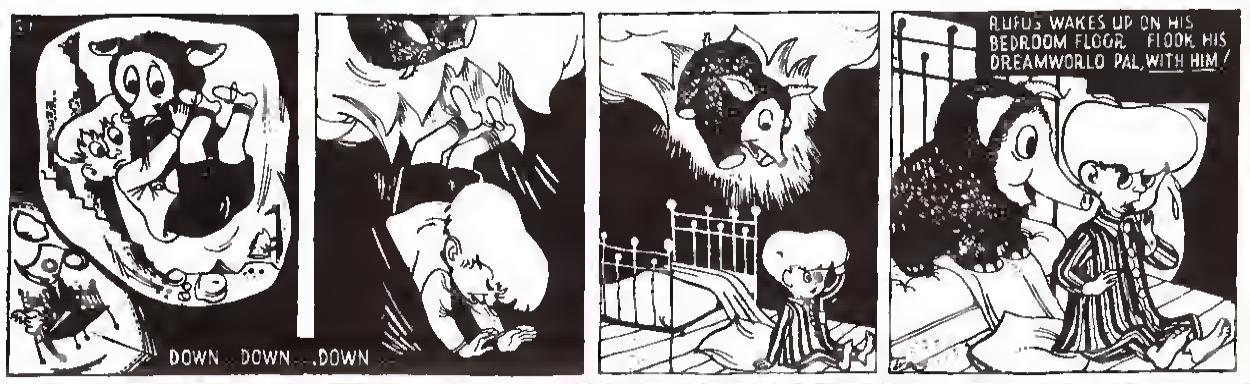
BUBBA WOULD CAN YOU HOOK ME UP AN ANVIL PRETTY PLEASE I'M BORED TO DEATH HERE
YOU'D BETTER CLEAN OUT YOUR WALLET THERE'S STILL DUST IN IT
CHUCK! BACK, WAY!
BECAUSE I CAN'T HELP IT ANVILS SUPER HEAVY AND NEVER VERY RELIABLE
AWK, SORRY ABOUT THAT!
ONE OF THESE DAYS I'M GONNA GET MYSELF A REAL NICE SUNDOWN
WHAT CAN WE DO NOW? I WANNA CATCH UP WITH US THEY SHOW NO MERCY
IF WE COULD GET TO SCOTLAND WE'D BE ALL RIGHT THEY WELCOME RUNAWAYS FROM FOREIGN LANDS
THAT'S ALL WELL AND FINE
LOOK OVER THERE A SECONDHAND ANVIL DEALER COME ON LET'S HURRY
WE WANT TO BUY A CARROT IN A HURRY
WHAT SORT OF THING DID YOU HAVE IN MIND SIR? A PERFECT MODEL OR SOMETHING MORE SPORTY LIKE?

AH WAIT! THE RACE! DON'T TOUCH THAT DIAL
NOW THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL 20 HP FOUR HORSE POWER INTERCOOLED SUPER SPORTS CAR WITH SYNCHROMESH ON COURSE AND A BIG IN HER SHIRT
YEAH, YEAH, WE'LL TALK IT
WHAT ABOUT THE LITTLE FIFTY FOR MY EXTRA SPEED THEY COULD BE IT IN LOOK SHOT IT'S ONLY TAKE A WEEK OR LETS SAY TEN DAYS TO BE ON THE SAME SIDE
BUT CAN'T HAVE THERE'S A BLOKE ON SLEET ON HORIZON
AREN'T YOU GOING TO HAVE ME AN OPPONENT? I'M NOT NOT
NO, HERE'S THE LATEST IT IS BRUTAL IN NAME WITH THE HORSE
OH THE HORROR OF THIS MOMENT I'LL HAVE THE BRUTAL BOY AND HIS TOUGH AUNT FOR SUPPER AND AS FOR U, YOU SHALL PAY THE PENALTY OF INSULTING A ROYAL GENTLEMAN!
BUT YOU WANT THE NATIONAL, SIR? I POLISHED YOUR TEETH FOR IT'S ALL PART OF THE SERVICE
AND THE HELMET TOO
BY LA, GENTLEMEN, THEY'RE BOTH MINE!

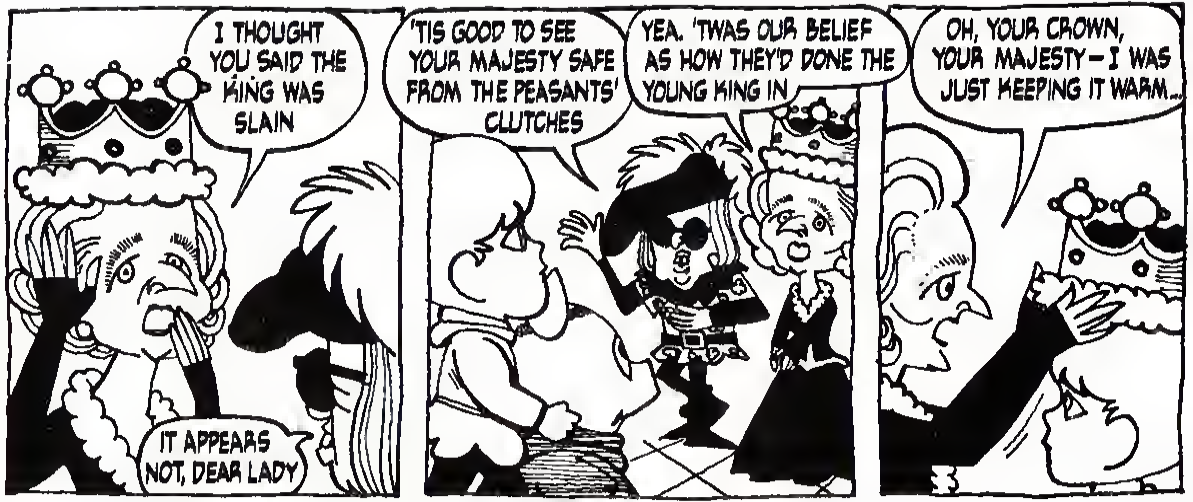
PUBLIC BP.

WELL LA, WE'VE DONE OUR BEST, BUT THERE'S NOTHING ELSE WE CAN DO FOR LIN NOW.
THERE'S A BEAN IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD AHEAD. IT'S MY OLD MERCHANT!
MAY WE PASS, SIR. THAT IT DOESN'T DELAY US FROM TODAY. ANOTHER MONTH AND A SIX MILE COLUMN OF TROOPS IS CROSSING THE ROAD. YOU'D BE BACK TO UP A COUPLE OF DAYS AT LEAST.
MERCHANT YOUTH WHO ARE LATE
IF LORD SEE SEE YOU IN CAPITAL RIGHT AWAY THAT QUICK AWARE?
WHY WANT WAIT YOUR WHEN WHO LET US PASS. I'M IN A HURRY!
SORRY, SIR WE'LL JUST BE A MINUTE
IF BELIEVE MATTER IF YOU THE PEOPLE WHO BEHIND PEOPLE'S HEAD YOUR STILL WE TO WAIT
VERY WELL THEN I SHALL CHOOSE THE COLUMN
THAT'S UP TO YOU, SIR, BUT IF YOU DON'T I'LL RUN YOU TURDLIN!

I'VE SO VERY MUCH TO DO NOW I'LL IT LOOKS LIKE TROUBLE HE MIGHT MAKE IT
YOU SEE, BUCK, YOU WERE TEMPTING FATE
UNTIL BUT I HAVE ONLY SAID IT LOOKED LIKE TROUBLE HE MIGHT
TROUBLE, SIR! I WAS HOPING MEMBERS OF THE CHARIOT ASSOCIATION SO I'LL CONTACT A BREAKDOWN MAN
THAT'S KIND OF YOU
AWFUL TOO MUCH
AT LAST! SHE'LL UP THEN. RUN YOUR GIRL, SAINT YOU!
SO I SAID IF IT'S A CALCULUS WE OUR GRANNY'S A CENTURION
BUT THE BRUNCHMAN CHARIOT OWNED ITS TIME P
YOU'RE DEAD RIGHT IT IS. I'LL PICK DOWN THE ROAD AND TAKE A BREAK.
THANK YOU, OH DEAR, TURCHAN, MUST BE OFF. I'M NOT ALIVE BY NOW!
CAN YOU BELIEVE IT? THE BRENNA DOWN CHARIOT BROKE DOWN BUT IT'S OUR MOM....


DOWN ... DOWN ... DOWN
RUFUS WAKES UP ON HIS BEDROOM FLOOR. FLOOK HIS DREAMWORLD PAL, WITH HIM!

NOW, LOOK, OLD BOY, HAVE A DRINK. YOU NAME IT, I'LL BUY IT. NOW, ABOUT YOUR HOUSE...
GO AWAY! A PERNOD, PLEASE, BILLY


I THOUGHT YOU SAID THE KING WAS SLAIN
IT APPEARS NOT, DEAR LADY
'TIS GOOD TO SEE YOUR MAJESTY SAFE FROM THE PEASANTS' CLUTCHES
YEA. 'TWAS OUR BELIEF AS HOW THEY'D DONE THE YOUNG KING IN
OH, YOUR CROWN, YOUR MAJESTY – I WAS JUST KEEPING IT WARM...